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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action, dated August 9, 2006, Applicants respond as

follows:

Amendments to the Claims: Begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings: None.

Remarks: Begin on page 7 of this paper.